

# **BROPHY SWIM MEET**

For many years Swimming ACT has hosted the James Brophy Memorial Inter-District Sprint Meet. This meet brings together swimmers from all over the southern and western part of country New South Wales. Districts compete for the James Brophy Memorial Shield and the Peter Love Trophy.

Events are 50m freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly for both girls and boys with ages ranging from 8 and under through to 16 and over. Each team can have up to two competitors in an event, with relays to finish off the meet.

Each district has their own method of selection however there are some rules that apply to who can compete and what they can swim.

Swimmers who are members of elite squads such as the National, State Squads cannot be included in a team. Swimmers who have qualified to compete in either a 50m, 100m, or 200m Australian Age or Australian Open Championship event, at the conclusion of the current summer season (**January 31<sup>st</sup>**). Swimmers who won a medal in their current age group at the current summer season NSW Age Championship or the NSW State Open Championships (or equivalent) over distances of 50m, 100, or 200m may not compete in either an individual or team relay event in that particular stroke.

In 2010 the former Murray, Riverina and South West Zones merged to form the Southern Inland Swimming Association, (SISA). Prior to 2010 each of these former zones actively competed in the Brophy meet. Following the merger of the former zones, Swimming ACT to allow for optimal representation allowed for the former zones to continue to send team to compete at Brophy. This allows for 6 swimmers from the former zones within SISA to compete rather than 2 if a SISA team was sent.

The Murray, Riverina and South West Zones each have their own qualifying criteria,

## **MURRAY ZONE**

Through arrangements with Swimming ACT the Murray Zone is comprised from the Murray Zone (NSW) and the Ovens District of Victoria. Swimmers must be a registered swimming member of either NSW or Victoria. There are no qualifying events that need to be swum. The four fastest swimmers of each stroke over 50 meters in each age group will invited to represent Murray Zone.

## **RIVERINA ZONE**

To be selected to represent the Riverina Zone swimmers must have swum at three (3) SISA Long Course approved meets conducted within the Riverina Zone, (Wagga Wagga, Narrandera, Leeton, Deniliquin, Hay and Griffith (when pool is completed). Both the NSW Country Regionals when held within SISA and the SISA Championships irrespective of where it is held within SISA, are accepted as one of the three meets for the purpose of Brophy selection. Team positions are offered in the first place to the fastest two swimmers in each event as recorded in the Riverina Zone Meets for the summer. Relay team's composition is subject to ensuring that, where possible, swimmers get more than one swim. All swimmers must notify selectors by the nominated date of their availability, to enable the team to be complete.

## **SOUTH WEST ZONE**

All nominated swimmers need to be a first claim and current financial member of a South West Zone Club. All entry times must have been swum at an approved SISA 50m Carnival or Country Regional Championships if swum in the SISA Area. Entry times must have been swum in the current season. Swimmers must have swum in at least two South West Zone 50m meets before the closing date to be eligible for selection in the South West Zone team.